

Leg It Out

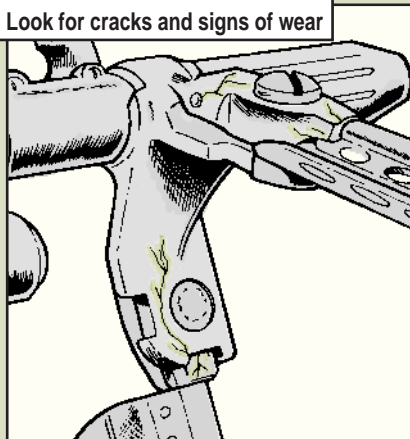


Unless your last name is Rambo, you'll find it difficult to fire your M60 or M249 if the bipod legs can't stand on their own.

Yet bipods are usually ignored during PMCS. They crack, won't stay in place, or get so bent they won't snap into place. Here's how to give your machine gun good legs to stand on:

Check the bipod where it locks onto the yoke. That's usually the first place legs crack, spread, or wear. If the bipod's cracked, worn, or spread, your armorer needs to know.

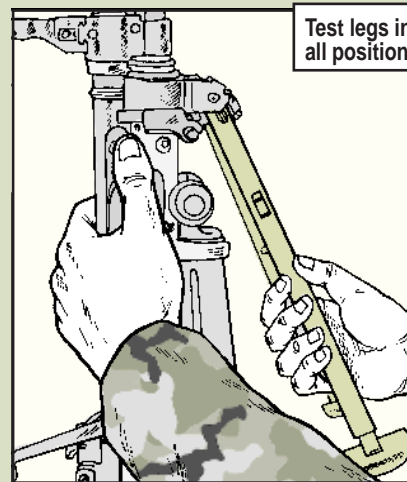
Look for cracks and signs of wear



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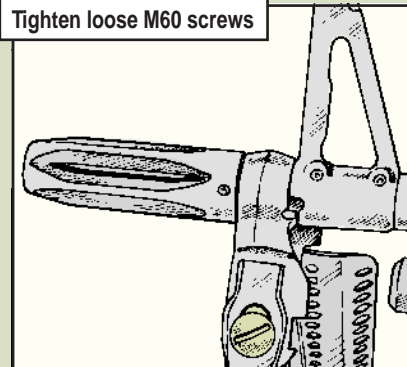
Test the legs in the stow position and all firing positions. If a latch won't hold, don't try to fix it by bending the latch. That weakens the latch. Support can fix a bad latch.

Test legs in all positions



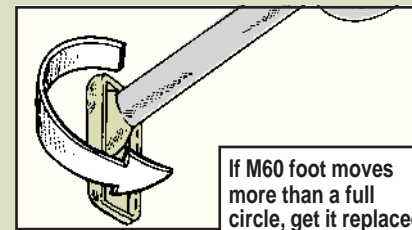
If the M60's legs are shaky, tighten their screws with your combination tool. Your armorer can stake the legs to keep them tight. Shaky M249 legs can be fixed by your armorer.

Tighten loose M60 screws



For the M60 only, turn the feet. If they move more than a full circle, they're too loose. Support needs to braze the feet or replace them.

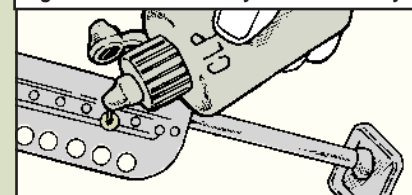
If M60 foot moves more than a full circle, get it replaced



If the legs on either machine gun move stiffly, clean and lube them. With the legs fully extended, clean off dirt and grease with a rag.

Put a few drops of CLP on leg locks and work them in and out until they move smoothly. Draw a line of CLP down each leg. Work the legs up and down until they slide easily.

Put a few drops of CLP on leg locks. Move legs in and out until they move smoothly



Draw line of CLP down each leg and work legs up and down

